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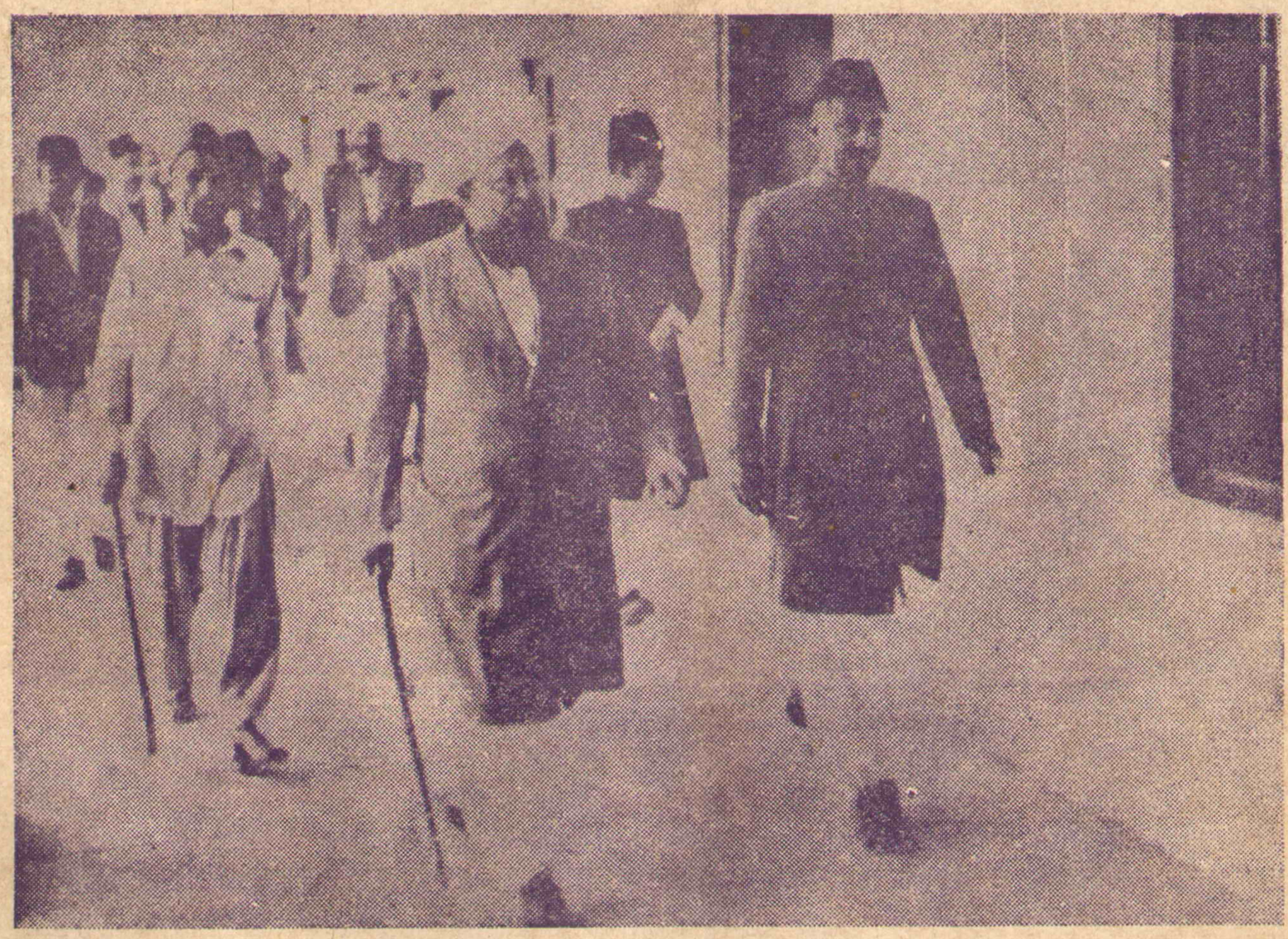

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Message of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih III for the 20th Annual Conference of the Ahmadiyya Jamaat, Sierra Leone.

Respected friends, Assalamo Alaikum

May God make this Conference impregnated with blessings for you all, and enable you to spend these days in prayers and in Divine remembrance! Amen.

The Ahmadiyya Communities of Sierra Leone should keep reminding themselves that high-set aims and splendid victories demand great sacrifices. According to the promises that God made to our master, the Promised Messiah (peace be on him, the days are at hand when Islam will come out victorious and predominant. So be ready to make all kinds of sacrifices for this cause and say prayers in abundance for God's help and support, without which nothing can be achieved. Always keep implanted in your hearts, and in the hearts of your offspring, a great respect for Khilafat and for the organization of the community. Unite together in perfect agreement, and go on striving unceasingly to bring nearer and nearer the day of the victory of Islam. May God be with you, bless you with increase of faith, and direct your actions to His own will! Amen.

God has raised your community to serve the whole mankind irrespective of religious or racial discrimination. Treat everybody with sympathy and compassion, and guard yourselves against disruption and disorder. Extend your fullest co-operation to the Government of the time and work unceasingly for the progress of your country.

RABWAH DIARY

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Idul Azhiya was celebrated on the 27th of Tabligh (February). Hazrat Khalifatul Masih in his Id Sermon stressed the need for following the example of the family of Hazrat Ibrahim, the Holy Prophet of Islam and the companions of the Holy Prophet. He further remarked that anyone who thinks that by slaughtering a ram he has done his duty is very much mistaken. Slaughtering of the ram is only a symbol of our readiness to perform our duties most faithfully. He also referred to the 38th Verse of the Sura Hajj wherein God says that it is not the flesh of the animal that reaches Him but the Taqwa that people display in every thing done for the sake of God, is the thing really and truly acceptable to God.

Referring to the sacrifices that Holy Prophet had to make, he said that there are two aspects that come before us. One that we should bear the hardships with pleasure as did the Holy Prophet and two, that we should bring up our children in such a way that they should be prepared to make the required sacrifices when the time for them comes.

He regretted the attitude of such people as are prepared to follow the example of those who hurl abuses on the Holy Prophet, but ignore the example that the Holy Prophet so nobly presented in face of all the hardships and odds placed in his way by the opponents.

Before closing he prayed to God that He may enable all of us to make such sacrifices as will always make the Fire cold and source of peace.

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TO OUR READERS

DO YOU MISS SOMETHING IN THIS MAGAZINE ? WHAT IS THAT ? LET US KNOW.

Managing Editor

Tahrik-i-Jadid,

NOTES & COMMENTS

Missionary Activities

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Maulvi Mohammad Siddique Shahid, Missionary Incharge Sierra-Leone reports that he had the opportunity of meeting the High Officials of the Government including the Governor General and the Prime Minister. He also took time to pay visits to the Ambassador for Lebanon and the Director of the Cultural Centre of the U.A.R.

At a meeting which was attended by the non-members also, Maulvi Shahid spoke on the future of Islam and told the audience that the sign had started appearing that it was bright and the time was not far when the world sould confirm the truth of the prophecies of the Promised Messiah and the Holy Prophet, peace and blessing of God be upon him.

Mr. Sanusi Mustapha paid glowing tributes to the Ahmadiyya Missions oll over the world.

Maulvi Mubarak Ahmad Saqi, Missionary Incharge, Ahmadiyya Mission, Liberia reports that the first Ahmadiyya Primary School in Liberia has been started at Largo in the Cape Mount Area. One hundred children have been admitted.

Ahmadiyya Missions in West Africa have a noble tradition of bringing up the Muslim children in Islamic atomsphere. In fact this is one of the laudable services that our Missions are rendering for the people of those areas.

So says a Christian

In its history Christianity has been not only un-Christian but at times an instrument of positive evil. Many Christians have gone to church and come out of it to trade in slaves. In so many parts of the world the name of Jesus has been used to justify persecution of racial minorities.

In Africa, although we must be grateful to the missionaries for their great pioneering work, especially in the fields of literacy, academic education and health services, Christian immorality has, nevertheless, been clear to see.

Here missionaries have taught us of the brotherhood of man through Christ, the equality of all men, they have taught us of justice, love and forgiveness; they have taught us all that—but so often they have not lived according to what they taught.

Here missionaries, or at least some of them, have lived with us much like the pigs in George Orwell's Animal Farm, where some animals were more equal than others.

We went to church seven days a week to be taught by men who believed in utter segregation of races; in sepas rate and unequal development.

As late as a year or so ago, a famous Christian teacher in Kenya could state publicly that Europeans and Africans have different "wavelengths." (This particular teacher was a dogmatic disciplinarian of Paul's own calibre).

Here in Africa, moreover, abuse, exploitation and savage inhumanity went on under their very noses, perpetrated by their Christian brothers in the administration and in business—and the missionaries said little but condemned Africans who wanted social and political reforms.

Hospital in Nigeria

Speaking on the same occasion, the Emir of Kano, Alhaji Ado Bayero, who laid the foundation stone of the new £50,000 clinic, said that the building of a clinic, especially at a time like this, would go a long way to supplement the limited medical facilities "we have for the ever-growing population of this ancient City of Kano."

The Emir then expressed his gratitude and that of the entire people of Kano State for what he called "this fine initiative" of the Mission in bringing about this project.

Welcoming the Emir and other distinguished guests to the ceremony earlier, the Amir in charge of the Ahmadiyya Community in Nigeria, Fazl Ilahi Anwari, expressed his mission's pleasure to extend to Kano its educational and medical activities.

He recounted his Mission's activities all over the world since it was established in 1889 and especially in Nigeria where it started medical services in 1961. He added that a maternity centre would be added to the new clinic which he said would be completed in a few months' time.

Fazl Ilahi Anwari also disclosed that his Mission hoped to translate the Quran into Hausa language and open a secondary school in Kano.

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QUOTES

Woolsey Teller, General Secretary of the "Truth Seeker" has selected the following quotations to show what kind of heroes Christendom has produced. It should be noticed that these atrocities were perpetrated by the Christians on the Christians themselves. One can well imagine what they must not have done, if the "culprits" had been non-Christians.

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"In 1483 the pope appointed Torquemada who had been an assistant inquisitor since Feb. 11, 1482 Grand Inquisitor of Castile ...Much has been written of the inhuman cruelty of Torquemada. Llorente (secretary of the Inquisition) computes that during Torquemada's office (1483-98) 8,800 suffered death by fire and 96,504 were punished in other ways (History of Inquisition, IV,.' 252') —Catholic Encyclopedia, Vol. XIV, p. 783.

"When in 1224 Frederick II ordered that heretics in Lombardy should be burnt at the stake, Gregory IX, who was then papal legate for Lombardy, approved and published the imperial law."—Catholic Encyclopedia, Vol. VI pp. 797-798.

"Knox, appealing to the Old Testament, declared that those who were guilty of idolatry might justly be put to death."—W.E.H. lecky's "Rationalism in Europe," Vol II, p. 16.

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Education in Ghana

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The Muslimnews, Karachi has published a letter from M. Arif of Rawalpindi on the condition of the Muslims in Ghana.

We have no comments on the political situation but it must be said to the credit of the Ghana Authorities that there is full religious freedom. Our Mission has been working there for more than forty years. It has three Secondary Schools and scores of Primary Schools. The efforts of the Pakistan Missionaries are augumented with those of the local Missionaries and the Message of Islam is being carried to all the nooks and corners of the country. Never any hinderance has been placed in the way of preaching Islam. It will be of interest to our readers to know that Missionary Training Centre has been functioning there for the past three years where training is given to young men from various countries of West Africa to become Missionaries of Islam.

Recently the Commissioner for Information—who is a Muslim—urged the Muslims to pursue education to the highest level. The Daily Graphic endorsed the view and lauded it. Our Missionary Incharge—Maulvi A U. Kaleem—wrote the following letter to the Daily Graphic :—

Sir,

Your editorial of 25th has raised a very important issue and must be endorsed by all sections of the nation. There cannot be two opinions about this fact that each link in a chain goes to make up the chain, the chain represents the link, and yet the links cannot be a chain unless put togther. The Muslims of this country are part and parcel of our nation and if this section of our nation do not join the other sections in educating their children they would certainly become distinct under-privileged group as the editorial has pointed out, and it would not be a good reflection on our nation as a whole. As a matter of fact the present condition of Muslims in general and Muslim women in particular is not due to the teachings of Islam, but to the ignorance of the Islamic principles by the Muslims. Islam stands for progress and civilisation. The state into which Muslims have drifted is of their own devising. It is all due to lack of education. Muslims lost respect and honour when they neglected the education of their sons and more of their daughters and did not keep up that material progress and culture which their fore-fathers under the impetus given to them by the Quran had started.

The Holy Prophet of Islam was an ardent lover of education. He is reported to have said : "The seeking of knowledge is an incumbent duty upon every Muslim—male or female". "Acquire knowlenge from the cradle to the grave."

"Teach your children as best as you can." He would often remind his followers of the Divine injunction : "Whosoever is given knowledge is given in reality, much goodness"

A conservative Muslim may differ with me, inferring only the search far religious knowledge. He must, however, bear in mind another tradition of the Prophet where he says : "Seek knowledge though you have to proceed to China".

No doubt, a Muslim must learn his religion, but in the referred tradition, it is the secular knowledge which we are enjoined to acquire even if we have to take a long journey as far as to China.

Ispired by such lofty ideals the

camel drivers of Arabia who were hardly distinguished from brute creation turned into the pioneers in civilization and culture, builders of wonderful public works, organisers of marvellous institutions, founders of great many science and arts, and above all the Godly men The Arabic letters, the decimal system trigonometry medicine, chemistry, botany, mineralogy, geography, zoology, philosophy, poetry, architecture, paper industry, optics, art of the gold-smith, embroi ery. mosaic and so on, all owe much to the benevolent influence of Islam on the culture and civilization of the West.

Special stress has been laid by the Prophet of Islam on the up-bringing and training of the girls. He says: "If a man has a daughter and he brings her up well he shall be saved from fire." In other words, if a man brings up hls daughter well, God shall deal kindly with him.

Islamic history is full of brilliant Muslim women. The wife of the Prophet, namely Aeysha, became one of great jurists, traditionists, commentators, and genealogist of her day. Aeysha knew medicine ond was well versed in Arabic Literature and poetry.

Valadata, daughter of Khalifa of Cordova, "endowed with equal beauty and genius," was considered the Arabian, Sappho. Labena also, a native of that far-famed capital, not only excelled as a poetess, but was also deeply skilled in Philosophy and Arithmetic, and held the office of private secretary to the Khalifa Hakim.

Muslim lady physicians and jurists have been of great renown. Zubaidah, the wife of the famous Haroun Rashid of Baghdad, and Nur-Jehan, the wife of Jahangir, Emperor of India have both played a very proninent part in history. Muslim Queens have successfully governed countries and empires.

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It was through Islam, more than anything else, that the women found scope for demonstrating their capabilities. One frequently comes across, in Islamic history, feminine names in the arts of peace as well as of war.

It is deplorable to see that the Muslims of our country take the secular education for a taboo prohibi ed by Islam. So I deem it necessary at this juncture to join with Mr Ibrahim Mahama the Commissioner for Information as has done the Editor in exhorting the Muslim Community of the country, to wake up from their sleep and send their children particulary the girls to schools.

The Cairo Debate

by

Maulana Abul Ata, ex-Missionary for the Middle East, published by the Al-Furqan, Rabwah. Price Rs. 1.25

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We commend it to our readers.

RELIGION FOR ALL

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Commenting on a Conference held recently at Calcutta by "The Temple of understanding" (an Organisation with its headquarters in Washington) The Yaqeen International says :

"It is an organisation with its headquarters in Washington. The object of this body, as its name suggests, is to promote mutual understanding between the various creeds and faiths of the modern world. A five day summit Conference was recently held under its auspices in Calcutta, which was attended by representatives of Christianity Islam, Budhism Zoroastrianism, Shintoism, Confucianism Sikhism, Jainism, etc. A Conference of this type is indicative of the nightmares that haunt humanity in the 20th century. Everybody feels that we have differed too long and too much and created a hell for ourselves long before the advent of the Doomsday. But one must doubt the utility of such a Conference for affording relief to the sick world. The Temple of Understanding, will be of little use in the face of our misunderstanding politics Secondly the word Understanding can be easily misunderstood to imply a belief that the various creeds are all true. This would be evidently illogical and irrational ; for one who believes in all religions really believes in none Faith in a Universal religion, instead of a universal faith in all religions, is the only rational course. What is really needed is a living faith in a Single Living God and a body of doctrine dominating the entire field of human affairs and prescribing the right course for social, political, economic and all other activities. Such a faith in a common Creator and an all-embracing religion alone can engender an enduring sense of harmony, of equality which is the basis of justice, alone can insure lasting peace. This is the basic truth for which Islam stands. However from our point of view we would welcome such a conference if it could serve to dispel to any extent the clouds of ignorance that still darken the non-Muslim view of Islam. Not a few still suppose we offer prayers five times a day to the Prophet, we worship the black stone in the Ka'ba, we are bound to have four wives to each male Muslim, and, above all believe in proselytising at the point of sword."

T.J. We could not agree more with these comments. But would like to addthat such conferences clearly show how great is the need for preaching Islam to the West. It is the West that has remained ignorant of Islam for all these days and unless we rise to the occasion and tell them what the teaching of Islam is and what is its significance in the context of the present day world problems, suspicion will continue to breed and the West will grope in the darkness going farther away from their Creator and complicating the issues all the more.

We thank God that Ahmadiyya Jamaat is spearheading the campaign for dispelling darkness from the Western horizon. We have, with the grace of God very active missions all over Europe and America. (Editor)

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